

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims and replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for facilitating the allocating billing incurred by an entity from a technology resource provider, said method comprising:

~~associating unique identifiers with technology resources of the provider, said unique identifiers being associated by the entity;~~

~~providing said unique identifiers to the provider;~~

receiving a business model file corresponding to an internal structure of the entity, the business model file including at least one application profile associating at least the following access values: (1) a time access value, (2) a geographic area access value, and (3) a user-level value one of said unique identifiers with at least one user a portion of the internal structure within the entity;

receiving said billing, which includes data corresponding to usage of at least one ~~of said~~ technology resource[[s]] by the entity and data corresponding to said access values unique identifiers; and

allocating respective billing portions of said billing based at least in part on said access values on said business model file, said billing portions corresponding to usage of said at least one technology resource[[s]] by the portion of the internal structure within the entity at least one user,

wherein at least one the above steps is performed by at least one processor.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said at least one technology resource[[s]] include at least one of computer usage wherein said computer usage includes computing time obtained from an outsourced provider, telephony resource usage, manufacturing cycles and production runs.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving said business model file further includes receiving said business model file at a controller.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including automatically recognizing ~~the~~ at least one user.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 4, wherein said allocating further includes allocating loyalty points to the at least one user.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said allocating further includes reducing said billing by a monetary value of loyalty points.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said allocating further includes at least one of transferring, pooling and gifting loyalty points.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further including providing a descriptive billing statement including at least a portion of said business model file.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further including providing a descriptive billing statement including at least one of:

at least a portion of said business model file,
a total of computer usage time,
said computer usage time associated with at least one of: ~~said~~ unique identifiers,
an account, a project, a process and a division,
a time period of said computer usage,
~~the~~ at least one user associated with said computer usage occurring during said time period,
an authorization received,
a rule engine guideline used during said computer usage,
a notification sent by a controller,
an account billed for said computer usage,
a processing power associated with said computer usage,
a provider providing said computer usage time,
said computer usage and said billing associated with at least one of said business model file, an application profile, and a value driver,
an analysis of at least one of said computer usage and said billing,
statistics of at least one of said computer usage and said billing,
graphical display of at least one of said computer usage and said billing.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further including adjusting said billing based upon at least one of a CPU-second used, a total CPU-seconds expected to be used, a volume discount, a stepped-type of pricing, a peak/off-peak usage, a geographic location, a service provided, a performance expectation, a location, a service level scoring, a CPU cycle, a local power consumption cost, a physical site security, an increased site security, an additional operational procedure needed to support increased sensitive data, a level of fail over needed, a service level agreement, and an account data privacy requirement.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

determining said internal structure including various groups and sub-groups within said entity;

determining a billing detail of said group within said entity;

determining a value driver of said entity; and

determining an application profile of said entity.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further including:

monitoring said computer usage; and,

notifying the at least one user of said computer usage.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said monitoring said computer usage further includes monitoring in at least one of substantially real-time, a pre-established time period and a random time period.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said notifying the at least one user further includes notifying the at least one user via at least one of phone, email, pager, cell phone, personal digital assistant, and fax.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said notifying the at least one user further includes providing at least one of a signal, a usage clock, and a monetary usage value to the at least one user.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further including performing data analysis of said computer usage using the at least one application performance driver.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further including suggesting a cost efficient usage practice.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further including requesting a bid based upon said monitoring step.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said business model file further includes at least one of an application profile, a value driver, a user level, a geographic area, a project, a zone, a third party provider, loyalty information and a rule.